IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313

GENERAL POWER OF ATTORNEY (for several applications filed in the USPTO)

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SDGI Holdings, Inc.

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